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REQUEST FOR STATUS

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 September 22, 2004

Dear Sir:

The undersigned attorney respectfully requests the status of the above-identified application.

The application was filed on March 6, 2002 in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and to date no Office Action has been received.

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